

## **Comprehensive Plan Design Workshop**

### **Options and Possibilities**

#### **OPEN SPACE/ GREEN SPACE**

##### **BRAINSTORM IDEAS**

- Areas outside of AH should be considered (when thinking about useable space)
- Flood control areas
  - Constraints on use (e.g., in Olmos Basin)
  - Management/jurisdiction
- Integrate AH interest with those of COSA with respect to creekways and drainage
- Coordinate and work with those outside the City limits
- Small open spaces count too; add trees and plants
- Parks
- Community gardens
- Spread wildflowers in Olmos
- Create a map of all community greenspace for the public
- Develop a vision and coordinate it with COSA, Headwaters Coalition (Sisters of Charity) and others
- Articulate that we care about upstream drainage impacts
  
- Walking trails and Running trails
  - Nature trails existing – start with those, widen
  - Not concrete, but similar in terms of accessibility
- Playgrounds
  - Strollers in the street are not a good idea
  - Only Playground is at Cambridge
  - Add one at Olmos Park
- Nature trails
- Use of Olmos Park
  - Festival place
  - Dope surveillance
  - AH is in good position to adopt park
  - Police need to be there routinely
- Combine uses of open space where appropriate
- Activities and Events
  - Baseball games
  - Alamo Heights Night
  - Impact of vehicles
  - People don't trials are there
  - Signage
- Trails
  - Get a director
  - Manage them

- Develop an association and get membership
- Think about origins and destinations when planning trail networks
- Mountain bike trails
- Use of Creekway
- More people will pick up trash
- Lack of green space in upper Alamo Heights!
- Need teen-oriented areas: skateboarding area, hang-out spot, parks accessible for those w/o a car (includes safe walk/bike path TO the park)

## **BEST IDEAS**

1. Make trails walkable/ runnable/ bikeable – not ugly (No concrete please!)
2. Create and enhance connections between open spaces, neighborhoods, urban destinations (e.g. Olmos Park, Headwaters Sanctuary, Quarry Market, and neighborhoods)
3. Adopt/ Manage/ Buy north area of Olmos Park from San Antonio
4. Dog Park at west side of Alamo Heights Blvd (>2 ac)
5. Community gardens at suggested locations (see graphic)



QUARRY

BASE

LINCOLN HTS

MAKE BROADWAY A GREAT STREET:

Walkable, Bikeable, and Park Like

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RECREATION FIELDS

COORDINATE MANAGEMENT OF NORTH PORTION OF OLMOG PARK WITH C.O.S.A

CONNECT ORIGINS & DESTINATIONS WITH TRAILS

ACQUIRE LAND FOR PARKS (POCKET PARKS) IN N.E. AREA

WICHITA AUSTIN ST

POTENTIAL DOG PARK

CREATE A BOULEVARD STREET WITH TRAIL

5 MINUTE WALK

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POTENTIAL COMMUNITY GARDENS

COORDINATE WITH AHSD ON USE OF SCHOOLS AS PARK / PLAY AREAS

OLMOG BASIN

OLMOG DAM

HEAD WATERS SANCTUARY

CENTRAL MARKET

GOAL: HAVE A PARK OR GREEN SPACE WITHIN 5 MINUTE WALK OF EVERY HOME IN ALAMO HEIGHTS

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BRACKENRIDGE PARK

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